TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

3rd October 2021





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> Saturday 7p.m.

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To Love and to Cherish

It's easy to make promises in the first flush of romance. "I'll love your forever" and "I've only eyes for you," trip off the tongue easily. When we're young the idea of marriage is romantic and highly desirable. The vows we make when we marry don't seem too difficult. In sickness and in health? We don't imagine that our spouse might become on closh line or support to a disphility. For richer or negar? We don't think f

become an alcoholic or succumb to a disability. For richer or poorer? We don't think that our partner will lose his or her job or become swallowed up in bad debt. For better or worse? We don't think for a moment that our loved ones will fall out of love with us and look elsewhere. So what happens when things go wrong? Does God really expect us to stay in abusive or loveless marriages? This week's gospel text is one of the most heatedly debated passages in scriptures. "What God has joined together, no human being must separate." These are tough words for those who cannot make their marriage work. Yet the gospel is more about the hardness in man's heart than an instruction on marriage and divorce. At the time Jesus spoke these words divorce was permitted. It was a man's prerogative to 'dismiss' his wife for little reason. The wife was very much a disposable possession. It was this attitude that Jesus abhors in his answer to the Pharisees. In a world where marriage was taken lightly because divorce was managed easily, Jesus condemned the hardness in men's hearts and called them to look at God's plan that from the beginning of creation male and female should become one. Of course we don't hold the same attitudes today, or do we? Sadly the answer is yes. We are surrounded by quick fix relationships, couples that only stay together while the going is good; couples that promise nothing and make no commitment; couples that are in it only for what they can get. Marriages fail for all sorts of reasons, not always anyone's fault this is a reality. It is hard to imagine that God would want us to stay in a marriage where we were the subject of abuse or real misery, but what we know for sure is that we shouldn't enter into the sacrament of marriage with the attitude that it is simply a contract with a let out clause if things go wrong. We enter marriage believing it to be a relationship in which we can love and cherish.

Harvest Mass-Saturday 2nd/Sunday 3rd Sept

Thanksgiving for the Harvest, and for all the blessings we have received during the year. We welcome fruit, vegetables, and all the produce of our summer and our harvest. These can be left into the Church on Friday morning between 11am—1pm

Blessing of Pets: All parishioners are invited to bring animals to the church grounds for a blessing ceremony on Sunday 3rd October @ 3pm. Please do not park in the Church grounds as we need it free for the animals, you can park in the Cemetery or the Parish centre. Can you please pick up after your pets, bags and bins will be provided.

MASS ROTAS

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS 10am. Mon 4th Oct — Eddie Lynch

EDENDERRY-WEEKEND MASS

READERS 7pm. Sat 9th Oct – Laura Fennessy 10am: Sun 10th Oct - Karina Curley 11:30am. Sun 10th Oct - Carol Flynn

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

7pm. Sat 9th Oct – Deirdre Byrne, Bernice Flynn, Frances Judge 10am. Sun 10th Oct – Martin Tyrrell, Mary Byrne, Bernadette McKeon 11:30am. Sun 10th Oct – Colissa Halligan, Rose Waters, Maria Egan

Community Notices

Baptisms: Baptisms will take place with a maximum of 10 people per family. Face masks must be worn in the Church.

Car Key Found: in the Parish Centre on Sat 25th Sept, phone 046 9733311 for more information.

First Communion:

Sat 16th Oct ~ St Mary's School ~ @ 11am Sat 16th Oct ~ St Patrick's @ 1pm Sun 17th Oct ~ Scoil Bhríde @ 2pm Sat 20th Nov ~ Gaelscoil @ 2pm

One seat will be allocated per family in the centre aisle (Max 6 persons). We will provide stewards to ensure all government guidelines are adhered to and **face masks will continue to be mandatory for all adults** attending the ceremonies.

Collection will be held at each ceremony to ensure that the Parish is in a financial situation to be able to provide these and all religious services to parishioners into the future. Donations will be greatly received to help defray the losses incurred during COVID lockdowns. Thank you.



Love only grows by sharing. You can only have more for yourself by giving it away to others.



Emily Ann Walsh

Éabha Grace Gorman Matthew Michael Rowan

PARISH LOTTO DRAW RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

Wednesday 29th September 2021

NUMBERS DRAWN



No Jackpot Winner 4 Matched 3's won €250 each

No local Winner

Next Week's Jackpot €11,000

OFFALY VOLUNTEER CENTRE – if you are interested in registering your voluntary organisation with us or becoming a volunteer for the many organisations in our community please contact us on <u>083 0154669</u> anytime – if we can't answer your call, just leave a message and we will contact you!



Congratulations to the boys and girls from St Mary's & St Patricks Schools who received the sacrament of Confirmation last weekend.

Divine Mercy Prayers takes place in St Mary's Church, Edenderry this Sunday 3rd October @ 4:30pm All welcome



our prayers are asked for:

Noelle Considine Greenwood Pk, Edenderry / Carbury

May she Rest in Peace. Our Sympathy to her family

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7pm: Christy Ryan, Months mind Mass; Michael Holden, Months mind Mass; Tommy Cullen, 1st Anniversary; Jamie Quinn; Baby Ronan Kelly; Theresa Enright; Theresa Joyce; Carmel McGuinness; Billy Seery; John Lawless; Sean Flynn

Sunday 10am: Davivsz Marceli Podgorski; Janina Podgorska; Wiestaw Podgorski; Regina Gruchat **Sunday 11:30am:** Tarleigh Foley, 1st Anniversary; John, Teresa, Seamus & Brid Conlon; Greta Masterson

Monday 10am:

Tuesday 10am:

Wednesday 10am: Thursday 10am: Gerard Moore Friday 10am Mass: Mass Card Intentions

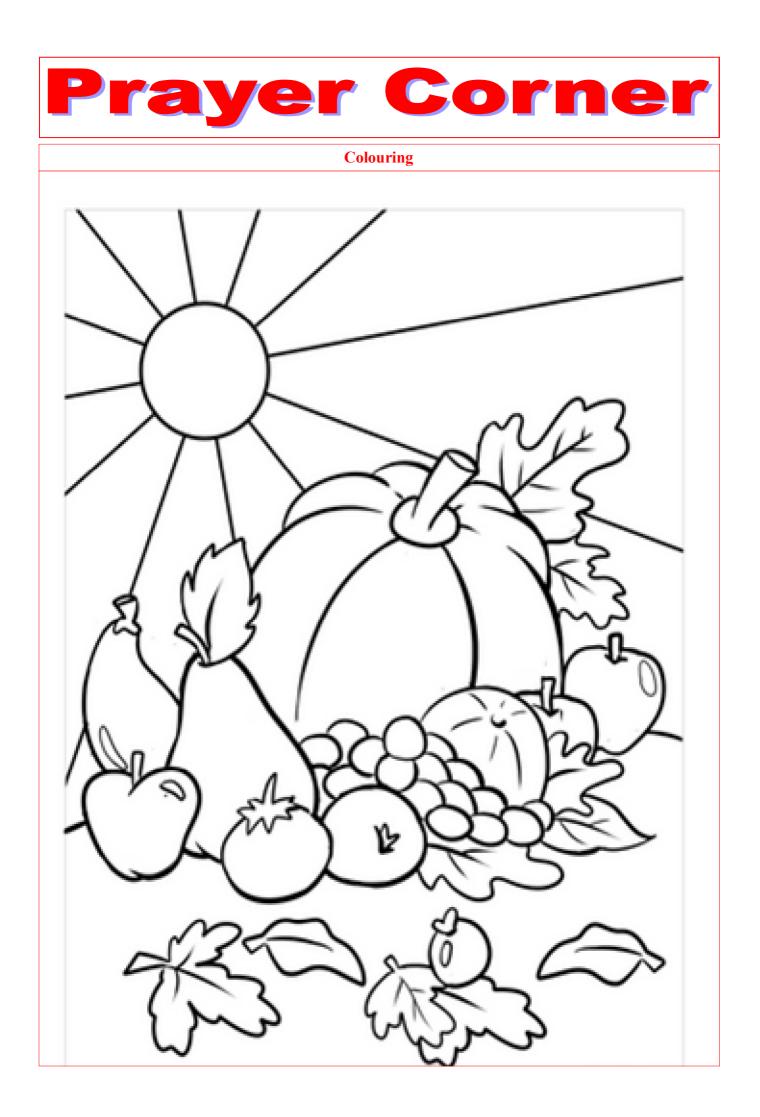
Saturday 7pm: Seanie Doyle, 1st Anniversary; Karen Hughes; Dan, Maureen & Desmond Kane; Deceased members of the O' Donnell & Rice families

Sunday 10am: Sunday 11:30am: Madeline Loughlin, Months mind Mass; Elizabeth (Lilly) Carter, 1st Anniversary; Tony Mulvin, 2nd Anniversary



We Pray for the following whose Anniversary occurs around this time.

Fr. John Lalor R.I.P Paddy L Graham Dunne Jordan Hamilton Jim L Lena Byrne



Priest: The Lord be with you **People:** And with your Spirit

PENITENTIAL ACT...

Gloria.....

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, to whom no one is a stranger and from whose help no one is ever distant, look with compassion on refugees and exiles, on segregated persons and on lost children; restore them, we pray, to a homeland, and give us a kind heart for the needy and for strangers. Through Christ or Lord.

FIRST READING (6:-1.4-7)

A reading from the prophet Joel.

Fields don't be afraid but be joyful and glad because of all the Lord has done for you. Animals don't be afraid. The pastures are green; the trees bear their fruit, and there are plenty of figs and grapes. 'Be glad people of Zion, rejoice at what the Lord your God has done for you. He has given you the right amount of autumn rain, he has poured down the winter rain for you and the spring rain as before. The threshing-places will be full of corn; the pits beside the presses will overflow with wine and oliveoil. I will give you back what you lost in the years when swarms of locusts ate your crops. It was I who sent this army against you. Now you will have plenty to eat, and be satisfied. You will praise the Lord you God, who has done wonderful things for you. My people will never be despised again. Then, Israel, you will know that I am among you, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. My people will never be despised again. The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give success to the work of our hands, O Lord Response:

1. Before the mountains were born or the earth or the world brought forth, you are God, without beginning or end. **Response**

2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **Response**

3. The earth has yielded its fruit for God, our God, has blessed us. May God still give his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.. **Response**

SECOND READING

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Corinthians.

Remember that the person who sows few seeds will have a small crop; the one who sows many seeds will have a large crop. Each one should give, then, as he has decided, not with regret or out of a sense of duty; for God loves the one who gives gladly. And God is able to give you more than you need, so that you will always have all you need for yourselves and more than enough for every good cause. As the scripture says, "He gives generously to the needy; his kindness lasts for ever. And God, who supplies seed to sow and bread to eat, will also supply you with all the seed you need and will make it grow and produce a rich harvest from your generosity. He will always make you rich enough to be generous at all times, so that many will thank God for your gifts which they receive from us. For this service you perform not only meets the needs of God's people, but also produces and outpouring of grateful thanks

to God. And because of the proof which this service of yours brings many will give glory to God for your loyalty to the gospel of Christ, which you profess, and for your generosity in sharing with them and everyone else. And so with deep affection they will pray for you because of the extraordinary grace God has shown you. Let us thank God for his priceless gift. **The word of the Lord.**

The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia!

I am light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (16:19-31)

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your Spirit A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' So he said, 'Bring them to me.' He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples, who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps left over, twelve baskets full.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord, who willed that your Son should lay down his life to gather into one your scattered children, grant that this sacrifice of your peace, may bring about a communion of minds and hearts, and an increase in our awareness of the plight of the poor, the homeless and those fleeing from war. Through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O Lord, who have renewed us with the one Bread and the one Chalice, grant that in sincerity of heart we may show true compassion towards strangers, and the Refugees seeking safety, and that all of us may deserve to be gathered together at last, in the land of the living. Through Christ our Lord.

